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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Madam:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2002 (Paper #19), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejections and reexamination of the present claims in view of the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly enter the following proposed amendments to claim 1:

1. A method for the amplification of a population of different types nucleic acids in a single reaction vessel, said method comprising:

forming a population of different types of at least two or more distinct species of DNA/RNA hybrids from a population of different types of different single-stranded mRNA species;

forming a population of different types of single-stranded DNA from DNA/RNA hybrids;

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